

AMENDMENT TO COMMITTEE PRINT #4
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Page 15, after line 18, insert:

1 **SEC. 6B. SENSE OF CONGRESS RELATING TO THE USE OF**
2 **RENEWABLE RESOURCES TO GENERATE EN-**
3 **ERGY.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

5 (1) the United States has a quantity of renew-
6 able energy resources that is sufficient to supply a
7 significant portion of the energy needs of the United
8 States;

9 (2) the agricultural, forestry, and working land
10 of the United States can help ensure a sustainable
11 domestic energy system;

12 (3) accelerated development and use of renew-
13 able energy technologies provide numerous benefits
14 to the United States, including improved national se-
15 curity, improved balance of payments, healthier
16 rural economies, improved environmental quality,
17 and abundant, reliable, and affordable energy for all
18 citizens of the United States;

19 (4) the production of transportation fuels from
20 renewable energy would help the United States meet

1 rapidly growing domestic and global energy de-
2 mands, reduce the dependence of the United States
3 on energy imported from volatile regions of the
4 world that are politically unstable, stabilize the cost
5 and availability of energy, and safeguard the econ-
6 omy and security of the United States;

7 (5) increased energy production from domestic
8 renewable resources would attract substantial new
9 investments in energy infrastructure, create eco-
10 nomic growth, develop new jobs for the citizens of
11 the United States, and increase the income for farm,
12 ranch, and forestry jobs in the rural regions of the
13 United States;

14 (6) increased use of renewable energy is prac-
15 tical and can be cost effective with the implementa-
16 tion of supportive policies and proper incentives to
17 stimulate markets and infrastructure; and

18 (7) public policies aimed at enhancing renew-
19 able energy production and accelerating techno-
20 logical improvements will further reduce energy costs
21 over time and increase market demand.

22 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
23 gress that it is the goal of the United States that, not
24 later than January 1, 2025, the agricultural, forestry, and
25 working land of the United States should—

1 (1) provide from renewable resources not less
2 than 25 percent of the total energy consumed in the
3 United States; and

4 (2) continue to produce safe, abundant, and af-
5 fordable food, feed, and fiber.

